

## PROPOSED AGENDA ITEM RATIONALE

**TO**: Matthew L. Blomstedt, Ph.D. Commissioner of Education

FROM: Freida Lange, Administrator, Accreditation and School Improvement

**PROPOSED AGENDA ITEM**: Discuss approval of the nonpublic schools appearing on the accompanying list to operate for the 2016-2017 school year in accordance with the provisions of Rule14, *Regulations & Procedures for the Legal Operation of Approved Nonpublic Schools*.

**RATIONALE/BACKGROUND INFORMATION**: Approval by the State Board of Education will allow these schools to operate, to be recognized as approved, and to fulfill compulsory attendance and other statutory requirements.

All nonpublic schools submitted a Statement of Assurance indicating compliance (or areas of noncompliance) with the approval regulations in Rule 14. Accreditation staff members conducted visits to selected schools. Based on information reviewed, the schools on the accompanying list were found to be in compliance with the approval regulations in Rule 14 and are entitled to be approved for 2016-2017.

NOTE: Nonpublic schools that are accredited will be recommended to the State Board in June.

**ESTIMATED COST**: None